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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director, OSA

SUBJECT

Program for OXCART Prestrike from Forward Base

REFERENCE

Memo for AD/OSA frm C/OD/OSA, dtd 10 Apr 63.

Subj: OXCART Forward Base Prestrike Concept

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- 1. With the approval of the prestrike concept as set forth in referenced memorandum, I feel the time is now propitious for us to commence detailed planning towards a coordinated program to support a prestrike from a forward base.
- 2. As you are aware, Materiel Division has held several conferences with various contractors in an attempt to identify types of equipment which will be required in support of a prestrike staging. I do not think that it would be at all premature if at this time we engaged in a definitized plan for the implementation of a prestrike capability. This would include not only the identification of necessary equipment and technical representative personnel but also the designation of staff support personnel required by such an operation.
- 3. Considerable ground work has already been accomplished in this field, however, I am unmindful of any one focal point to ensure that all ends are considered. Normally I would feel that such a task would be the responsibility of the Programs Staff and would gladly assume the responsibility if you so desire. As you may recall, I discussed this with you previously, just prior to latest visit, and it was decided at that time that we would await the results of

visit before implementing

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